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DEVELOPMENT OF CIVIL AVIATION SECTOR IN J K AND KARNATAKA
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Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

(a)Whether a huge sum is proposed to be spent in the civil aviation sector in Jammu and Kashmir (J&K) region;

(b) If so, the details thereof ;

(c) Whether such a proposal is also under consideration for Karnataka, which has a good potential for tourism;

(d) If so, the details thereof; and

(e) The time by which the final decision is likely to be taken in this regard ?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) OF THE MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION(SHRI PRAFUL PATEL)

(a) Yes, Sir. Various development works have been taken up for the civil enclaves at Srinagar, Jammu and Leh Airports in Jammu & Kashmir at an estimated cost of Rs. 227.50 crores.

(b) At Civil Enclave at Srinagar, Phase I work relating to expansion and modification of terminal building for 950 passengers with two passenger boarding bridges and expansion of apron have been completed and balance work is likely to be completed by December, 2007. Works relating to expansion of apron and additional link taxiway in Phase II have also been initiated at an estimated cost of Rs. 10 crores. Construction of new terminal building complex and expansion of apron at an estimated cost of Rs. 80 crores at civil enclave at Leh have been initiated.

At Jammu civil enclave, expansion of terminal building complex and apron including acquisition of land at an estimated cost of Rs. 60 crores have been planned.

(c)&(d) Various upgradation works have been either undertaken/ planned for development of airports in Karnataka at an estimated cost of Rs. 293.64 crores. At Mangalore airport,construction of new runway and associated facilities have been completed and works relating to construction of a new integrated terminal complex for 800 passengers and construction of apron and link taxiways in front of new terminal building have been initiated.

At Bangalore airport, expansion and modification of domestic and international terminal building have been completed.

At Mysore airport, construction of new runway of 1700 meter length, terminal building for 100 passengers, car park, control tower etc. have been initiated.

State Government has been requested for acquisition of additional land and transfer of the same to AirportsAuthority of India (AAI) free of cost and free from all encumbrances to upgrade the airports at Hubli and Belgaum for B-737 operation.

(e) Not applicable in view of the above.